GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

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TOURISTS VISITED TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of tourists visited Tamil Nadu during the last three years including foreign tourists; and

(b) the details of financial assistance provided/proposed to be provided for the development of tourism in Tamil Nadu during the year 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 ?

Answer

MINSITER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE

(SHRI ANANTHKUMAR)

(a): According to the Statistics available from the State Government, total number oftourists including foreign tourist who visited Tamil Nadu during 1997, 1998 & 1999 are as follows:-

Year	Total Number of tourists
1997	1,95,64,742
1998	2,10,49,593
1999	2,18.59,383

(b): The projects for central financial assistance are prioritised in consultation with the State Governments every year for that year. Based on the prioritization of projects for the year 1999-2000, 26 projects for an amount of Rs.493.85 lakhs were sanctioned to the State Government of Tamil Nadu for the implementation of various tourism projects like wayside amenities, High Mast lighting, refurbishment of monuments, etc.